

At a meeting of the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors held at 7:00 p.m. on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022, at the Cumberland County Circuit Courtroom:

Present: Brian Stanley, District 1, Chairman  
Ron Tavernier, District 2  
Eurika Tyree, District 3, Vice-Chairman  
Gene Brooks, District 4  
Robert Saunders, Jr., District 5  
Derek Stamey, County Administrator  
Jennifer Crews, Finance Director  
Kemper Beasley, County Attorney  
Tiana Branch, Deputy Clerk  
Stephany Johnson, Zoning Administrator

Absent: None

**1. Call to Order**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. Roll Call of Members**

Tiana Branch, Deputy Clerk, called the roll.

**3. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Chairman.

**4. County Administrator Comments**

County Administrator, Derek Stamey, provided the Board with the following updates:

- Introduction of New Video Format and Presentation Style
- Patriot's Day Event is scheduled for April 23, 2022 here at the Courthouse from Noon to 4 pm. The event has not taken place for

the last two years due to Covid. This year's event is aimed to be on a smaller scale than previous years and will allow for the official formation of a committee as well as allow for enough lead and planning time to increase the size and scope of the event for 2023.

- The County would like to invite citizens to provide feedback related to the services made available through the parks and recreation department. Engaging our residents is critical in our efforts to maximize precious tax dollars and we truly need to have a grasp on the types of services that are desired by our community.
- VDOT Road Closure – Route 45 at the Cumberland/Goochland County line will be closed beginning on March 14 and is scheduled to reopen on March 17 if there are no issues. CSX will be replacing rails during this time frame. We ask that residents be aware of this road closure and make alternative arrangements for travel.
- As a reminder to our residents, the State Burn Ban is in effect until April 30. No burning is allowed until after 4pm. Our fire and rescue team responded to three separate brush fires yesterday, so please be aware of the current burn ban.

**5. Approval of Agenda**

On a motion by Supervisor Tyree, seconded by Supervisor Tavernier and carried unanimously, the Board approved the agenda as amended.

Vote:            Mr. Stanley – aye                            Mr. Tavernier – aye  
                     Mrs. Tyree – aye                            Mr. Brooks – aye  
                     Mr. Saunders – aye

**6. State and Local Departments/Agencies**

a. Cumberland County Public Schools

Dr. Jones gave the following update to the Board:

- 12 wrestling team members participated in State competition and two wrestlers earned medals.

- FFA team members attended the B&B Livestock Judging Competition at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, VA. One team member placed seventh in beef cattle judging.
- Two of our band members received all district band recognitions for playing the Bassoon and Trumpet
- One of our high school students was awarded first place in the National Association Conservation District Poster contest–this is her second year in a row for winning first place at the National level.
- The CHS Forensics team CHS Forensics Team was the “first runner up” at the Region 1A/1B Super-Regional forensics competition held in Danville, Va. Three of our students won first place and will be moving onto State competition.
- A CCES student won first place in the Virginia School Board Association’s Regional Art Contest.
- FBLA team participated in the FBLA Spring Regional Conference at Longwood University placing 1st in the Sports & Entertainment Management Event and the Graphic Design Event.
- Congratulations to Jimmy Johnson, a retired CHS teacher, administrator, and coach who was inducted into the VHSL Hall of Fame.
- Our libraries have been hosting book fairs.
- CCES participated in Read Across America Week and hosted a family literacy night.
- The Cumberland Aftershocks competed in two FIRST Robotics Competition events against teams from all over the Commonwealth. They placed 15th in the event on Saturday and came back to win the event on Sunday.
- CHS Indoor Track team participated in the State competition.
- CuCPS alumni Justin Reid, Jerrine Lee, & Milan Modi talked with CCES third and fourth grade students about their careers.
- FFA students hosted the Argi-Olympics in celebration of FFA Week.
- CMS hosted the National Junior Honor Society Inductions.
- Participating in various recruitment fairs.
- Thank you for the continued support of CuCPS.

b. VDOT

Assistant Residency Engineer, Steven Snell, was absent and had nothing to report.

c. Cumberland Public Library

Mrs. Lisa Davis, Librarian, provided the Board with the following report:

- The library is still open on a regular schedule with few restrictions and an average attendance of about 35 people per day.
- Our at home rapid-response Covid-19 test kit distribution has slowed down. We will continue to give away the current kits until they are gone unless the VDH sends us a new shipment or the program is discontinued.
- I did apply last week for the grant to cover 1/3 of the cost of replacing the four remaining heat pumps at the library.
- We currently have 63 children signed up for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library and 3 children who have graduated because they turned 5 as of the first week of March. There will be 43 children receiving their welcome book this month and 64 in April. We continue to receive donations to help pay for our monthly costs. It costs just over \$25 per year per child to operate the Imagination Library program.
- Our annual basket and gift item raffle, known as Sweets in the Stacks, will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2022, from 4 to 6 PM. Items are already on display and entry and raffle tickets are now available.
- TeamUp Calendar is set up and active. The website address is written at the bottom of the purple events calendar sheets and links can also be found on both our website and Facebook page for the calendar as well as the online form for having events added to the Community Events sub-calendar.
- Our Black History BINGO game was completed with four people getting \$5 gift cards to local businesses. We are now continuing the learning by distributing cards for Women's History Month BINGO and there are plenty of cards still available. Clues are posted to our Facebook page daily and to the website every 7 days. The rules

have also been posted in both locations and winners will be identified as they come in with winning cards.

- Our Lunch-time Technology Support sessions began on February 28 and are held from 12 to 1 PM at the library on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. This is a chance to get help with all of your technology issues and learn some new skills. No registration is generally needed.
- The 2022 Reading Challenge using Beanstack has over 50 book categories for patrons to choose from. Reading may be recorded using the app on your devices or patrons may bring the book titles and authors to the library for help by staff in entering the information
- Our four-week Financial Management class started last night. It will be held on the next three Mondays in March from 5:30 – 6:30 PM. One participant in the class will win a copy of Dave Ramsey’s book The Total Money Makeover. Registration is required for these classes, which is offered in-person and by Zoom.
- We will be showing movies the week of the school system’s Spring Break. The free family movie matinees will begin at 10 AM and will include snacks for those attending. Registration is required as space is limited.
- We will be scheduling Saturday workshops for children to make gifts for Mother’s Day and Father’s Day. More details on these will be given soon with registration required.
- Please don’t forget that:
  - Rep. Good’s field director is here on the first Thursday of each month from 9-12 PM to help with any issues you may be experiencing on the federal level. This includes issues with any federal department, including the VA, the IRS, and Social Security.
  - A knitting group meets every Wednesday from 1 to 3 PM. All levels are welcome - beginner thru experienced. In addition to for knitting, you can also get help for crocheting.

d. Cumberland Fire and EMS

Fire and EMS Chief, Tom Perry, was absent and had nothing to report.

e. Casey Littlefield, Acting Building Official

Acting Building Official, Casey Littlefield, presented the Board with a presentation recommending the approval of an increase in Commercial Permit fees in the Building Inspectors Office.

On a motion by Supervisor Tavernier, seconded by Supervisor Tyree and carried unanimously, the Board set a public hearing for Tuesday, April 12, 2022:

Vote:	Mr. Stanley – aye	Mr. Tavernier – aye
	Mrs. Tyree – aye	Mr. Brooks – aye
	Mr. Saunders – aye	

f. Commonwealth Regional Council

Todd Fortune, Deputy Director of the Commonwealth Regional Council, briefly reviewed the year-in-review report for the CRC and informed the Board that the FYE 20-21 approved audit reported that the cash fund balance exceeded \$600,000 by \$34,674.22. This amount was divided and returned to all member counties. Cumberland's share of the refund was \$4,953.46.

g. Finance Director's Report

i. Monthly budget Report:

There was no discussion regarding this item.

ii. Refund on Overpayment on Taxes

On a motion by Supervisor Stanley, seconded by Supervisor Tavernier, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the refund for overpayment of taxes for the amount of \$4,386.12:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye Mr. Tavernier – aye  
Mrs. Tyree – aye Mr. Brooks – aye  
Mr. Saunders – aye

iii. Appropriation for Treasurer’s Office

On a motion by Supervisor Tyree, seconded by Supervisor Saunders, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the appropriation for the Treasurer’s Office:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye Mr. Tavernier – aye  
Mrs. Tyree – aye Mr. Brooks – aye  
Mr. Saunders – aye

iv. Appropriation for RSAF Grant

On a motion by Supervisor Tavernier, seconded by Supervisor Tyree, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the appropriation for the RSAF Grant:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye Mr. Tavernier – aye  
Mrs. Tyree – aye Mr. Brooks – aye  
Mr. Saunders – aye

v. Appropriation for Cumberland County Public Schools

On a motion by Supervisor Tavernier, seconded by Supervisor Saunders, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the appropriation for \$10,000 in grant funds to the Cumberland County Public Schools:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye Mr. Tavernier – aye  
Mrs. Tyree – aye Mr. Brooks – aye  
Mr. Saunders – aye

vi. Appropriation for General Properties funds

On a motion by Supervisor Stanley, seconded by Supervisor Saunders, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the appropriation for General Properties funds:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye Mr. Tavernier – aye  
Mrs. Tyree – aye Mr. Brooks – aye  
Mr. Saunders – aye

vii. Appropriation for Animal Friendly Plates Distribution

On a motion by Supervisor Saunders, seconded by Supervisor Brooks, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the appropriation:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye Mr. Tavernier – aye  
Mrs. Tyree – aye Mr. Brooks – aye  
Mr. Saunders – aye

h. Planning and Zoning Administrator’s Report

i. Planning Project Updates

There was no discussion regarding this item.

j. County Attorney’s Report

**7. Consent Agenda**

- a. Approval of Bills for February 2022
- b. Approval of Minutes – February 08, 2022, February 15, 2022 & February 17, 2022

On a motion by Supervisor Tavernier, seconded by Supervisor Saunders and carried unanimously, the Board approved the consent agenda as presented:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye Mr. Tavernier – aye



Mrs. Tyree – aye  
Mr. Saunders – aye

Mr. Brooks – aye

c. Appointment of Building Official – Robby Felts

On a motion by Supervisor Tavernier, seconded by Supervisor Saunders and carried unanimously, the Board appointed Robby Felts as Building Official effective March 1, 2022:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye  
Mrs. Tyree – aye  
Mr. Saunders – aye

Mr. Tavernier – aye  
Mr. Brooks – aye

d. Adoption of Updated Budget Calendar

On a motion by Supervisor Saunders, seconded by Supervisor Tavernier and carried unanimously, the Board approved the consent agenda as presented:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye  
Mrs. Tyree – aye  
Mr. Saunders – aye

Mr. Tavernier – aye  
Mr. Brooks – aye

**8. Old Business**

N/A

**9. New Business**

N/A

**10. Public Hearing Notices/Set Public Hearings**

N/A

**11. Public Hearings**

a. CUP 21-04 High Bridge Stables Event Facility

Planning and Zoning Administrator, Stephany Johnson, presented a review of the Conditional Use Permit application.

With no citizens signed up to speak, the Chairman closed the Public Hearing.

The property owners were present to answer questions.

On a motion by Supervisor Saunders and seconded by Supervisor Brooks, and carried unanimously, the Board approved CUP 21-04 High Bridge Stables Event Facility:

Vote:	Mr. Stanley – aye	Mr. Tavernier – aye
	Mrs. Tyree – aye	Mr. Brooks – aye
	Mr. Saunders – aye	

b. CA 22-01 Redistricting

County Attorney, Kemper Beasley, presented a review of the proposed code amendment.

With no citizens signed up to speak, the Chairman closed the Public Hearing.

On a motion by Supervisor Tyree and seconded by Supervisor Tavernier, and carried unanimously, the Board approved CA 22-01 Redistricting:

Vote:	Mr. Stanley – aye	Mr. Tavernier – aye
	Mrs. Tyree – aye	Mr. Brooks – aye
	Mr. Saunders – aye	

**12. Additional Information**

- a) Treasurer’s Report
- b) DMV Report
- c) Monthly Business License Report
- d) Monthly Building Inspections Report

- e) Commonwealth Regional Council Report
- f) Cumberland Extension Office Monthly Newsletter – N/A
- g) Approved Planning Commission meeting minutes – November 15, 2022
- h) Approved EDA meeting minutes – N/A
- i) Approved BZA minutes – N/A

**13. Public Comments**

Betty Myers requested an updated FEMA report. She also informed all attendants about an upcoming meeting hosted by the DEQ to update citizens about the Green Ridge project. The meeting will be held on March 24, 2022 at 5:30 at the Cumberland County Public Middle/High School Cafetorium. She also addressed the HB 1200 regarding landfills.

Wendy Hannah introduced herself to all attendants and expressed her eagerness to be involved in the county.

**14. Chairman and Board Member Comments**

N/A

**15. Adjourn -**

On a motion by Supervisor Brooks and seconded by Supervisor Saunders, the Board adjourned the meeting until the Budget Workshop at 6:00 p.m. on March 10, 2022 in the Cumberland County Circuit Courtroom located at 17 Courthouse Circle, Cumberland, Virginia.

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Brian Stanley, Chairman

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Derek Stamey, County Administrator